June 30, 2006

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## **RE: Fiscal Year 2007 Quality Improvement Incentive**

Dear Nursing Home Administrator:

In setting the nursing home rates for fiscal year 2007, an amount of \$500,000 was held in reserve for a Quality Improvement Incentive. This is the same amount paid out in fiscal year 2006. In addition to the criteria used in fiscal year 2006, facilities that receive a Substandard Quality of Care level, F, H, I, J, K, or L, as determined by the Department, during the incentive period will only be eligible for 50% of the possible Quality Incentive payout for their facility.

The attached form details the reporting requirements that will be employed for fiscal year 2007. In order to receive the quality incentive payment, facilities must return the completed form along with the required supporting documentation by **June 8, 2007**. A reminder letter will be sent in the spring, but facilities should not delay in arranging for the required quarterly third-party customer satisfaction survey, etc.

Facilities failing to submit a completed application and supporting documentation by the required date, June 8, 2007, will be omitted from the incentive payment calculation.

Should you have questions, please contact one of the following:

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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